

STATEMENT OF SCOPE

Department of Commerce

Rule No. : Chapters Comm 2, 18, 20, 33, 34, 40, 43, 61, 82, 83, 90 and 95

Relating to Plan Review Processing Times

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1. Description of the objective of the rule.

The objective of the rule is to revise the department's requirements relating to plan review processing times.

2. Description of existing policies relevant to the rule and of new policies proposed to be included in the rule and an analysis of policy alternatives.

Currently, plan review processing times specified in the respective department chapters are based on receipt of all forms, fees, documents and information required to complete the review. This method of determining the starting date of processing times is not compatible with the new procedure that allows individuals to schedule a plan review appointment date over the Internet or by telephone. With the new appointment scheduling, plans may be received by the department any time before the appointment date, and the specified processing time could have expired by the date of the appointment. The rule will propose revisions to address this incompatibility.

The alternative of not revising the plan review processing time rules will result in continued confusion as to whether the specified processing times are being met.

3. Statutory authority for the rule.

Chapters 101 and 145, Stats.

4. Estimate of the amount of time that state employees will spend to develop the rule and of other resources necessary to develop the rule.

The department estimates that it will take approximately 100 hours to develop this rule. This time includes drafting the rule and processing the rule through public hearings, legislative review and adoption. The department will assign existing staff to develop the rule. There are no other resources necessary to develop the rule.

5. Description of all of the entities that will be affected by the rule.

The rule will affect any person submitting plans to the department for required plan review. This includes plans for elevators, ski lifts, buildings, plumbing systems, and public swimming pools.

6. Summary and preliminary comparison of any existing or proposed federal regulation that is intended to address the activities to be regulated by the rule.

The activities to be regulated by the rule are specific to the department's administrative procedures relating to plan review. There are no existing or proposed federal regulations that address the activities to be regulated by the rule.

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